

### Weekend Weather

**Today:** Partly sunny -- high 36, low 26  
**Saturday:** Partly sunny-- high 39, low 28  
**Sunday:** Cloudy -- high 40 low 31



### Sorties

| Squadron | Month | Year |
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| 8th FW   | +43   | -42  |
| 35th FS  | +18   | +40  |
| 80th FS  | +25   | -82  |



### Common Courtesies



Do not use your index finger to point at a Korean. The gesture is considered rude. Use an open palm and gesture in the person's direction instead.



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## News Briefs

### SonLight Inn meal

There will be no Friday night meal tonight at the Sonlight Inn because of exercise preparation.

### February birthday meal

The February birthday meal is Feb. 19 at 6:15 p.m. at the O'Malley Dining Facility. All meal-card holders who have February birthdays are entitled to bring one guest. Guests must be present with the birthday patron. Birthday patrons and guests who receive Basic Allowance for Substinence can pay \$12.95 for steak and lobster or \$10.95 for chicken and lobster.

For more information call Staff Sgt. Randy Marquart at 782-5538.

### Protocol position

The 8th Fighter Wing Protocol office has a job opening for a senior airman. Interested candidates should call 1st Lt. Montatip Morris at 782-5270 or e-mail montatip.morris@kunsan.af.mil.

### Promotion ceremony

The 8th Fighter Wing promotion ceremony is Feb. 28 at 4 p.m. at the Loring Club for airman promoted in February. Promotees must be in place at 2:30 p.m. with their new rank affixed.

For more information call 782-4693.

### Pass and ID

The pass and ID office will be open for outprocessing and emergency line badge issue Monday through Feb. 16.

### Correction

The Ability to Survive and Operate Guide was misidentified as January 2000 instead of 2001 in the ATSO Tip of the Week on Page 2 in the Feb. 2 issue of the Wolf Pack Warrior.



Photos by Senior Airman Lanie McNeal, 8th CS/VI

### Wolf Pack welcome

(Right:) Gen. Lester Lyles, Air Force Material Command commander in chief, talks to maintenance troops during his tour here Wednesday. (Above:) 1st Lt. Lisa Pedrotti, 8th Security Forces Squadron, briefs Lyles at Big Coyote about Kunsan's mission. An interview with the general appears in the Feb. 23 Wolf Pack Warrior.



## Kunsan tests new network system

By Staff Sgt. Scott Farrow  
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

For more than a year, the 8th Communications Squadron Command and Control Network Element has been working with their Pacific Air Forces counterparts to develop a classified command and control network system that could change the way the Air Force gathers and sends information during a contingency.

Since Kunsan played a key part in the system's development, Headquarters PACAF is sending representatives from several agencies throughout the Air Force to officially test the newly developed system during Kunsan's February combat readiness exercise.

"Kunsan has been the main test platform for developing the Theater Battle Management Core Systems (TBMCS) because of our steady exercise tempo," said Capt. James Thompson, 8th Operations Support Squadron combat plans officer and the TBMCS project officer.

The system, Thompson explained, enables commanders to make informed accurate wartime decisions using information gathered from various elements throughout the base, such as personnel availability, logistical support and operational preparedness.

"In past tests, TBMCS software has allowed Wolf Pack commanders to make their war decisions based upon accurate and timely information gathered by the TBMCS, and provides a method for each squadron to report information to their survival recovery center representatives in the command post," he said. "Group commanders use this information and act accordingly, or request guidance from the (8th Fighter) Wing commander. Once the leaders make their decisions, they use the TBMCS to disperse information (battle staff directives) used by

several elements of the Wolf Pack during war."

Thompson said the system consists of more than 100 classified terminals throughout the base. Multiple servers run the classified network that protect the information from being available to foreign intelligence collectors.

During Kunsan's exercise next week, Thompson said several test-team personnel might be contacting troops familiar with using the TBMCS.

"They may come around asking questions about command and control issues and the TBMCS system, but people should not be alarmed," Thompson said. "The test team should be easily identifiable, wearing non-player badges, handing out surveys and asking lots of questions about TBMCS."

If approached by test-team personnel, Thompson said providing them with the information they require can only speed up the team's analysis phase.

Once the team compiles the information and analyzes the system's effectiveness, he said the results would be briefed to 8th FW Commander Col. Philip Breedlove following the exercise, and to the Air Force Chief of Staff the week after.

Thompson said thousands of man-hours have gone into the developing the TBMCS over the past year. The 8th CS system and data base administrators, Master Sgt Chris Chevalier, Airmen 1st Class Pat Turner, Wes Noice and Mahogany Armstead, Senior Airman Mike Rutherford and contractors Kent Burkhart, John Taylor and Nick Eppler, have worked tirelessly to pull the entire process together and get the system up and running.

"The work has been tedious and tiring," said Turner. "The hours have been long, and we've worked a lot of overtime. But it's worth it for the experience I'm receiving, and knowing my work on this system quite possibly could have a direct effect on how the Air Force fights its battles."